WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A method of selectively altering the elastic properties of a textile fabric in a selected discrete area thereof by selectively applying to the discrete area of the fabric an elastomeric composition.
- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein a mask, stencil or printing screen is overlaid over the area during application of the elastomeric material.
- 3. A method according to claim 1 wherein the elastomeric material is applied by a selectively controllable ejection nozzle.
- 4. The method of claim 1 wherein the elastomeric composition is an aqueous-based elastomeric composition.
- 5. The method of claim 1 wherein the elastomeric composition is vaporous or gaseous.
- 6. The method of claim 1 wherein the elastomeric composition penetrates into the structure of the fabric.
 - 7. The method of claim 1 wherein the textile fabric is an elastic fabric.
 - 8. The method of claim 1 wherein the fabric is an apparel fabric.
- 9. A method of selectively altering the elastic modulus or elastic power of a textile fabric substantially as described herein.
- 10. A textile fabric produced according to the method of one or more of the foregoing claims.